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SUBJECT: NAMIBIA: PREPARATIONS FOR TALKS WITH SOUTH AFRICANS

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1. REFTELS POINT UP EFFORT TO GATHER INFORMATION ON SWAPO
DETAINEES IN TANZANIA TO ASSIST IN TALKS WITH SOUTH AFRICANS. WE
HAVE PREVIOUSLY REPORTED WHAT WE HAVE LEARNED BUT THOUGHT
CONTACT GROUP MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN SUMMARY OF WHAT WE KNOW.

2. TANGOV HOLDS ELEVEN SWAPO DISSIDENTS, INCLUDING ANDREAS
SHIPANGA. THEY WERE ORIGINALLY DETAINED IN ZAMBIA AT SWAPO'S
REQUEST. ZAMBIAN JUDICIARY, HOWEVER, APPARENTLY REFUSED TO
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COUNTENANCE THEIR DETENTION AND WAS ON THE VERGE OF RELEASING
THEM WHEN KAUNDA AND NUJOMA CALLED ON NYERERE FOR HELP.
NAMES OF THE ELEVEN ARE UNDERSTOOD TO BE: ANDREAS SHIPANGA,
ANDREAS NUUKWAWO, EMMANUEL ENGOMBE, JIMMY AMPALA,
KESHIPELAO MAXUILILI, MARTIN TANENI, MISS NDESHIMONA
UYUMBO, PHILEMON MOONGO, RUBEN SHAGULA, SAKARIA SHIKOMBA,
SOLOMON NIFIMA.

3. SWAPO -DESERTERS" HAVE CHARGED THAT ADDITIONAL SWAPO PERSONNEL ARE BEING DETAINED IN TANZANIA. WE HAVE NO INFORMATION TO SUBSTANTIATE THIS BUT BELIEVE IT POSSIBLE TANGOV MIGHT BE HOLDING A COLLECTION OF SWAPO MILITARY DROPOUTS OR REFUGEES WHO HAVE NOT YET BEEN RETURNED TO SWAPO CONTROL.

4. RE PROPOSAL INVOLVE INTERNATIONAL RED CROSS IN THIS PROBLEM (PARA 4 REF A) AND DEPT.'S FURTHER EXPLANATION THIS REGARD (STATE 286008), WE BELIEVE THAT THIS IDEA MIGHT POSSIBLY BE USEFUL AT LATER STAGE DISCUSSION WITH TANZANIA. FOR THE US OR THE CG TO RAISE IT WITH NYERERE NOW AS AN INDIVIDUAL ISSUE, HOWEVER, WOULD BE DISTRACTING AND COUNTERPRODUCTIVE.
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